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In re Application of

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DECISION ON PETITION

Application No. 09/863,425

Filed: May 22, 2001

Attorney Docket No. EDIAFARM.PT1

This is a decision on the petition, filed May 16, 2006, which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.181 (no fee) requesting withdrawal of the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application was held abandoned for failure to reply to the non-final Office action mailed March 14, 2005, which set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on October 19, 2005.

Petitioner asserts that the Office action dated March 14, 2005 was not received.

A review of the written record indicates an irregularity in the mailing of the Office action of March 14, 2005. In this regard, the Office received a Revocation and Change of Correspondence Address on November 16, 1994, prior to the mailing of the Office action of March 14, 2005. Office records were not updated to reflect this new change of address. Accordingly, as the Office action was mailed to an incorrect address, the Notice of Abandonment mailed October 19, 2005 is hereby vacated and the holding of abandonment withdrawn.

It is noted that, while the application file does not indicate that a change of address has been filed in this case since November 16, 2004, the address given on the petition differs from the address of record. If appropriate, a change of address should be filed in this case in accordance with MPEP 601.03. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address noted on the petition. However, until otherwise instructed, all future correspondence regarding this application will be mailed solely to the address of record.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3204. All other inquiries regarding this application should be directed to the Technology Center.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 2141 for consideration of the amendment filed May 16, 2006.

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